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SERVICE CENTER**Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

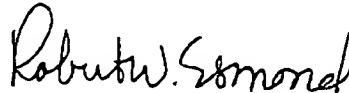
It is hereby requested that the period for replying to the outstanding Office Action be extended two months from March 31, 1999, to May 31, 1999, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$380.00 for a two-month extension for a large entity. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to debit our Deposit Account No. 19-0036 for this amount. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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